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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of December 3, 2004, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response, which has been extended by two-months to expire on May 3, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this Response.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this Response.